## Statement by Representative Martin Meehan

"The time has come for an independent commission to investigate our pre-war Iraq intelligence, how it was evaluated, and how it was represented to the public. We're learning more and more of questionable information being taken as hard fact, even being cited in the President's State of the Union address. A commission with real power to subpoena evidence and hold hearings is necessary to see if the intelligence holds up under serious scrutiny. This isn't about partisan finger-pointing or scoring political points. It is about getting to the bottom of the quality of intelligence that sent tens of thousands of young American men and women across the globe to war."